

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 897**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Hall**

February 17, 2011

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An act to amend Section 19596 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to horse racing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 897, as introduced, Hall. Horse racing: quarter horse racing.

Existing law vests jurisdiction and supervision over horse racing in this state in the California Horse Racing Board. Existing law permits the board to authorize a licensed quarter horse racing association that is conducting a live racing meeting to accept wagers on certain races conducted by the racing association that conducts the American Quarter Horse Racing Challenge, if the races are conducted on the same day as the American Quarter Horse Racing Challenge, as specified.

This bill would additionally permit the board to authorize a licensed quarter horse racing association that is conducting a live racing meeting to accept wagers on the full card of races conducted by another racing association on the day that other association conducts the Texas Classic Futurity and Remington Park Futurity, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 19596 of the Business and Professions
- 2 Code is amended to read:

1 19596. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the  
2 board may do any of the following:

3 (1) Authorize a licensed harness racing association that is  
4 conducting a live racing meeting in this state to accept wagers on  
5 the full card of races conducted by another racing association on  
6 the day that other association conducts the Breeders' Crown Stakes,  
7 the Meadowlands Pace, the Hambletonian, the Cane Pace, the  
8 Kentucky Futurity, or the North American Cup.

9 (2) Authorize a licensed quarter horse racing association that is  
10 conducting a live racing meeting in this state to accept wagers on  
11 ~~races conducted~~ *either of the following:*

12 (A) *Races conducted* by the racing association that conducts the  
13 American Quarter Horse Racing Challenge, if the races are  
14 conducted on the same day as the American Quarter Horse Racing  
15 Challenge.

16 (B) *The full card of races conducted by another racing*  
17 *association on the day that other association conducts the Texas*  
18 *Classic Futurity and Remington Park Futurity.*

19 (3) Authorize the inclusion of wagers authorized pursuant to  
20 this section in the parimutuel pools of the out-of-state association  
21 that conducts the races on which the wagers are placed.

22 (b) The board authorization may be granted under this section  
23 only if both of the following conditions are met:

24 (1) The authorization complies with federal laws, including, but  
25 not limited to, Chapter 57 (commencing with Section 3001) of  
26 Title 15 of the United States Code.

27 (2) Wagering is offered only within the racing enclosure and  
28 only within seven days of the running of the out-of-state race.